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SUBJECT: SEPTEMBER 9 NPG STAFF GROUP MEETING

REF: A. NPG (STAFF GROUP) WP(74)7 - 2ND REVISION, DATED JULY 25, 1974

B. USNATO 3671

SUMMARY: AT SEPTEMBER 9 NPG STAFF GROUP (SG) MEETING, SHAPE REP SAID
SHAPE WOULD CIRCULATE BACKGROUND PAPER ON SELECTIVE EMPLOYMENT
PLANNING PRIOR TO ROME NPG MEETING. SG DISCUSSED UK PROPOSED REVISIONS

TO NPG STUDY ON COMMUNICATING NATO'S INTENTIONS TO USE NUCLEAR WEAPONS

(CNI) AND DESIGNATED A SUB-GROUP OF US, UK AND FRG REPS TO PREPARE A
REDRAFT OF THE STUDY. END SUMMARY

1. AT SEPTEMBER 9 NPG STAFF GROUP (SG) MEETING, SG CHAIRMAN (SHEARER)
SAID THAT NPG PERM REPS WERE SCHEDULED TO MEET ON OCTOBER 10 TO
DISCUSS AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE ROME NPG MINISTERIAL MEETING AND RECEIVE
PRE-BRIEF OF SACEUR'S PRESENTATION OF THE SHAPE AIR DEFENSE
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ILLUSTRATIVE STUDY.

2. ITALIAN REP (COL. AZZARI) SAID HE WOULD CIRCULATE SHORTLY FULL
ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS FOR THE ROME NPG MEETING. HE SAID THAT ALL

DELEGATIONS WOULD STAY AT THE HOLIDAY INN. MISSION WILL SEND FULL DETAILS WHEN WE RECEIVE THEM.

3. SHAPE REP (COL. JULIAN) SAID THAT SHAPE WOULD PROVIDE A BACKGROUND PAPER ON SELECTIVE EMPLOYMENT PLANNING (SEP) TO ALL NPG MEMBERS FOR USE IN PREPARATION FOR ROME MINISTERIAL MEETING. CANADIAN REP, NOTING THAT THERE SHOULD BE NO EFFORT TO HINDER DISCUSSION OF THIS SUBJECT, SAID HE HOPED FOR CIRCULATION OF THE SHAPE PAPER IN TIME FOR PERMREPS TO ADDRESS IT AT THEIR OCTOBER 10 MEETING. SHAPE REP REPLIED THAT HE COULD NOT PROMISE THAT IT WOULD BE READY. HE SAID, HOWEVER, THAT ALL NPG COUNTRIES, INCLUDING ROTATING MEMBERS NOT PRESENTLY ON THE NPG, WOULD RECEIVE THE PAPER, AND WOULD ALSO RECEIVE COPIES OF SACEUR'S STATEMENT FOR THE ROME MEETING.

4. SG HAD LENGTHY DISCUSSION OF UK PROPOSED REVISIONS (POUCHED TO STATE AND DEFENSE) TO THE NPG STUDY (REF A) ON COMMUNICATING NATO'S INTENTIONS TO USE NUCLEAR WEAPONS (CNI). BECAUSE OF THE LARGE NUMBER OF UK REVISIONS, SG AGREED THAT A SUB-GROUP OF US, UK, FRG AND IS REPS SHOULD PREPARE A REDRAFT OF THE STUDY FOR REVIEW IN CAPITALS WHICH WOULD PROVIDE BASIS FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION IN SG. SG DISCUSSED AT LENGTH SEVERAL UK REVISIONS DESIGNED TO PLACE SUBSTANTIALLY GREATER EMPHASIS ON USE OF "WARNING MESSAGES" TO ACHIEVE

NATO'S OBJECTIVES SHORT OF ACTUAL USE OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS. MOST SG REPS, INCLUDING US REP, NOTED THAT DISCUSSION OF "WARNING MESSAGES" RE-INTRODUCED THE SAME DIFFICULTIES THAT WERE ENCOUNTERED IN THE INITIAL DRAFTS OF THE STUDY IN CONNECTION WITH "ULTIMATUMS." SG HAD EARLIER AGREED (REF B) THAT SUBJECT OF "ULTIMATUMS" WENT BEYOND WHAT A CNI STUDY COULD USEFULLY AND PROPERLY ADDRESS.

COMMENT: MOST OF THE UK REVISIONS ARE EDITORIAL IN NATURE AND SHOULD POSE NO DIFFICULTY. HOWEVER, THE IDEA OF "WARNING MESSAGES" INTRODUCES

A CONCEPT WHICH, BY ITS NATURE, COULD PREJUDICE A NUCLEAR RELEASE DECISION AND LESSEN US CONTROL IN THIS CRITICAL AREA. CONSEQUENTLY, WE INTEND, IN PREPARATION OF THE REDRAFT WITH UK, FRG AND IS REPS, CONFIDENTIAL

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TO ATTEMPT TO STEER THE STUDY AWAY FROM ANY EMPHASIS ON "WARNING MESSAGES" AND FOCUS ATTENTION ON CNI ACTIONS THAT MIGHT BE TAKEN ONLY IN SUPPORT OF A SPECIFIC DECISION TO USE NUCLEAR WEAPONS. RUMSFELD

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